

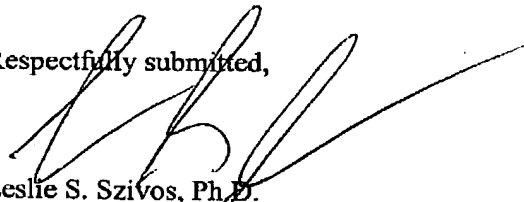
REMARKS

Entry of the above amendment to the specification is respectfully requested.

Upon receiving the Notice of Allowance dated February 26, 2004, applicants observed that a reference to FIGS. 1C or 2C was not made in the section labeled as "Detailed Description of the Invention". A brief description of FIGS. 1C or 2C is made under the heading "Brief Description of the Drawings"; See Page 5, lines 10-19. To correct the inadvertent omission of FIGS. 1C or 2C from the "Detailed Description of the Invention" Section of the application, applicants have amended the paragraph beginning at Page 9, line 24 to include a sentence that refers to the two drawings.

Since the above amendments to the specification do not introduce any new matter into the specification of the instant application, entry thereof is respectfully requested. Applicants observe that this 312 Amendment is being filed prior to the payment of the issue fee in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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